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Colonel Joseph E. Andrade retired after a thirty-three year career in the US Army. During this time, he served in a variety of infantry and special forces command and staff assignments both as a noncommissioned officer and as a commissioned officer. His career culminated with his appointment as the first Special Operations Forces Chair at the Naval Postgraduate School.

Colonel Andrade served in staff assignments as an organizational development consultant, operations officer, plans officer, instructor, personnel specialist, personnel operations specialist, executive officer and executive assistant. In addition, he served as a military advisor in El Salvador during an active insurgency. He commanded a special forces battalion responsible for military to military relations and operations throughout the Pacific. During this command he opened new doors in Laos, Cambodia and Sri Lanka.

He has extensive experience in leader development, organizational development, training, teaching, planning, problem solving, team building, consensus building, systems development and process development. His forte is plan-organize-train-motivate-execute-evaluate.

As the Special Operations Forces Chair at the Naval Postgraduate School, he cemented the sponsor relationship which resulted in new programs, increased students and new research. He ensured that curricula and research met the operational requirements of the user units in the Army, Navy and Air Force.

Colonel Andrade graduated from St. Leo College, St. Leo, Florida with a B.A. degree in Human Resources Management. He is also a graduate of the US Army War College Fellowship Program at the Naval Postgraduate School.